

IN THE CLAIMS:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method of making an identification tag for a wire rope
2 termination which method comprises:

3 ~~swagging~~ swaging a wire rope termination sleeve to a wire rope;

4 applying adhesive to a surface of said sleeve;

5 thereafter positioning a tag having identifying information over said sleeve so that
6 said tag is adhesively secured to said sleeve; and

7 thereafter encasing said tag by injection molding of ~~with~~ a transparent material over
8 said tag.

1 2. (Currently Amended) A method of making an identification tag as set forth in Claim
2 1 wherein said adhesive is applied to said tag prior to application to said ~~termination~~ sleeve.

1 3. (Original) A method of making an identification tag as set forth in Claim 1 wherein
2 said step of encasing said tag with a transparent material is accomplished by molding a clear plastic
3 cover over said tag.

1 4. (Canceled)

1 5. (Currently Amended) An identification tag for a wire rope termination having a
2 swage termination, which comprises:

3 a tag having identifying information adhesively secured to an outside surface of said
4 swage termination; and
5 a clear plastic material encapsulating said tag wherein said clear material is
6 independent of and completely covers said tag.